



VolunteerBloomington!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "One of the greatest dignities of humankind is that each successive generation is invested in the welfare of each new generation." ~ Fred Rogers

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Publication Intern for Language Conservancy

The Language Conservancy is seeking a committed individual, interested in Native American issues, to serve as a publication intern or volunteer. Candidate should have strong written and oral communication skills in English, and have experience or education in Mac computers, including image editing, audio editing, and text editing. Intern will work closely with the Publication Specialist to create learning materials. Projects may include reviewing and editing publications, fixing image files, compiling and proofing Optical Character Recognition and scanning of Crow, Hidatsa, and other languages. Please contact Sandra Messner at (812)961-6360 or messner@languageconservancy.org. (www.languageconservancy.org)

4th Street Festival of Arts & Crafts – Sept. 4, 5, 6

The 4th Street Festival of Arts & Crafts is a Labor Day tradition! From 5-9 p.m. on Sept. 4, volunteers will assist with artist check-in, setting up the kids' booth, marking off booth spaces, and placing trash barrels. Between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. on festival days Sept. 5 and 6, opportunities include t-shirt sales, artist hospitality, crowd counting, and administering surveys. Sept. 6 opportunities also include tear-down. Volunteers must be able to stand or sit in the outdoor heat. A two-hour time commitment is needed to receive a free festival t-shirt. Minimum age is 16. Please contact Juliet Roberts at 812-345-1531 or julietcroberts@gmail.com. (www.4thstreet.org)

Premier Hospice and Palliative Care

You don't need an advanced degree or specialized skills to assist someone during the last days of his or her life, just a comforting heart. Volunteers with Premier Hospice and Palliative Care, which serves the Bloomington and Bedford area, provide friendly visits, offer emotional, spiritual, and physical support, and run errands. Premier offers a free online training course to prepare you for the hospice journey. Scheduling is very flexible. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Kristin Patterson at (812) 680-4384 or kristin.patterson@premierhospicein.com. (www.premierhospice.com)

Leonard Springs Nature Days – Sept. 15, 29; Oct. 13, 20, 27

If you enjoy the outdoors and working with children, consider assisting Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department staff and area school teachers with Leonard Springs Nature Days. Volunteers serve as either station facilitators, who explain their station's concept (karst topography, creeks, wetlands, or forests) or group leaders, who direct students from station to station. This is a great opportunity to interact with sixth graders learning about nature! The program is held from 9:15 a.m.- 2 p.m. on Sept. 15 and 29 and Oct. 13, 20, and 27. Minimum age is 18. Sign up at <http://bit.ly/NatureDaysFall2015> or contact Kim Ecenbarger at (812) 349-3739 or ecenbark@bloomington.in.gov. (www.bloomington.in.gov/parks)

Hoosiers Outrun Cancer – Sept. 22-26

Hoosiers Outrun Cancer, held at the IU Memorial Stadium, benefits the Olcott Center for Cancer Education and includes a 5K walk, 5K run, 1 mile family walk, and 1 mile kids' run. Nearly 400 volunteers play a critical role in its success, both on race day, Sept. 26, and the week prior, Sept. 22-25. Opportunities include registering participants, monitoring the course, and post-race kids' activities. Minimum age is 18; 14 if with an adult. Register for a volunteer position (not a race participant) online at HoosiersOutrunCancer.org or contact Kathy Morrison at (812) 353-5000 or kmorriso3@comcast.net. (www.bloomingtonhospitalfoundation.org)

Community Wish List Spotlight

Midwest Pages to Prisoners Project

An all-volunteer effort that encourages self-education among prisoners by providing free reading materials upon request, to promote rehabilitation, reintegration and critical thinking. To grant a wish, contact Taylor Dean at taylor@boxcarbooks.org or (812) 339-8710. (408 E. 6th St.; www.pagestoprisoners.org)

Wishes: dictionaries, books on African American history, GED preparation books, single volume desktop reference books (no encyclopedias), high capacity laser printer, packing tape dispensers, printing paper, scissors, postage stamps, envelopes

Use the Community Wish List to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or purchase a few extra items yourself. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit BloomingtonVolunteerNetwork.org or call 812-349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

